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PSC SETS INTERVENTION DEADLINE IN WATER CASE

Jefferson City (September 15, 2003)---Warren County Water & Sewer Company, Warren-Lincoln Investments, Inc., d/b/a Warren County Water & Sewer, and Gary Smith and A. Lynn Smith have filed a joint application with the Missouri Public Service Commission seeking Commission authority to sell the water distribution system assets and sanitary sewer system assets of the Warren County Water & Sewer Company to the Missouri-American Water Company.

Applications to intervene and participate in this case must be filed on or before October 1, 2003, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Dean L. Cooper, Brydon, Swearengen & England, P.C., 312 East Capitol Avenue, P.O. Box 457, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; Paul S. DeFord, Lathrop & Gage, L.C., 2345 Grand Blvd., Suite 2800, Kansas City, Missouri 64108; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 7800, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

The General Counsel of the Missouri Public Service Commission has a case in Warren County Circuit Court seeking a court order placing the control and responsibility of the day-to-day operations of the Warren County Water & Sewer Company with a receiver.

The Public Service Commission, based upon a thorough review of evidence presented in a complaint case brought against the Warren County Water & Sewer Company by the Office of the Public Counsel, determined in an October 2002 order that the Warren County Water & Sewer Company was unwilling or unable to provide safe and adequate service to its customers. Based upon that decision, the Commission directed its General Counsel to go to circuit court seeking the appointment of a receiver to operate the utility and liquidate its assets.